



This monthly newsletter contains information on meetings, conferences, upcoming training, available grants and loans, relevant Web sites, job opportunities and miscellaneous information. Input and feedback are appreciated. For more information, contact M. Castain (415) 972-3264; email castain.maria@epa.gov or visit Web site: http://www.epa.gov/region09/cross_pr/indian/newslet.html

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Tribal Program Newsletter

Meetings and conferences

A bird cannot fly with a bird that is hungry (Omaha)

Oct 3-6 National Tribal Air Association Conference, Uncasville, CT

For more information, contact Bob Gruenig, (505) 242-2175.



Oct 5-6 Renewable Energy Workshop, Blue Water Resort and Casino, Parker, AZ

This conference is sponsored by the Arizona Public Service's Office of Community Development, Emerging Markets and BIA Truxton Canon Agency. It is in response to current energy issues facing several rural Arizona tribes. The conference will also present aspects of project planning, management structure per legal and accounting, operation & maintenance of project development and funding resources available for energy development projects. For more information, please contact Bob McNichols, Superintendent (928) 769-3302

Oct 5-7 Nevada Indian Agricultural and Environmental Summit, Reno, NV

The theme of this year's summit is learning how to "maximize your net profit" thru natural resources. If you are an individual, tribe or agency who deals with either agricultural and/or natural resources on an Indian Reservations, please consider attending this summit. For registration information, contact Staci Emm at (775) 945-3444.

Oct 24-26 First Western Wetland Conference, Denver, CO

The goal of this conference is to bring together wetland scientists, managers, conservationists and other professionals who work with wetlands to learn from these challenges and develop creative solutions. Conference topics include: wetland management in arid environments, gathering and using information, wetland protection and conservation, linking wetland science and management. This conference is sponsored by the Montana Watercourse, EPA, and the Society for Wetland Scientists Rocky Mountain Chapter. For more information visit the conference website:

<http://www.mtwatercourse.org/www/index.htm>, call the Montana Watercourse, (406) 994-6671 or email mtwatercourse@montana.edu.

Oct 24-25 Regional Tribal Operating Committee (RTOC), Coarsegold, CA

Contact: Lilia Dignan (415) 972-3779 or email dignan.lilia@epa.gov

Oct 26-28 13th Region 9 Annual Tribal/EPA Conference, Coarsegold, CA

This conference will be co-hosted with the Picayune Rancheria. For more information, please contact Sam Elizondo (559) 683-6633, email selizondo@chukchansi.com or visit the following Web page: <http://www.chuchansigold.com/epa>

Nov. 2-4 2005 Brownfield Conference, Denver, CO

This uniquely-designed conference sponsored by U.S. EPA, Region 8 will feature environmental issues facing the west including tribal brownfields, mining sites, watershed issues, and rural community issues. For more information regarding conference attendance, presentation opportunities, exhibits or poster sessions, check out the 2005 Web site: <http://www.brownfields2005.org> or contact the Region 8 Coordinator, Robin Coursen at coursen.robin@epa.gov.



Nov.6-8 Building Materials Reuse and Recycling: Deconstruction '05 International Conference, Atlanta, GA

EPA Region 4 and the Building Materials Reuse Association (BMRA) are pleased to announce a two-day international conference focusing on building materials reuse and recycling, deconstruction, design for deconstruction, and disaster-debris recycling. The audience for this event includes demolition contractors, deconstruction and salvage contractors; construction and demolition debris recyclers; reused building materials retailers; re-manufacturers, architects and designers, construction managers, academic institutions, and government. For more information, visit www.decon05.com. call Brad Guy, President, BMRA (814) 571-8659 or email guy_brad@yahoo.com

Nov 7-9 California Nonpoint Source (NPS) Pollution Conference, Measuring Water Quality Improvements, Sacramento, CA:

The conference will highlight projects and practices being used to successfully address the leading cause of water quality impairments in California NPS pollution. The goal is to foster the exchange of ideas, experiences, success stories and lessons learned to improve water quality programs and related watershed projects. This event will build on the successful 2001 and 2003 NPS Pollution Conferences and will include plenary sessions, concurrent sessions, a poster reception, field trips,

training workshops and plenty of networking opportunities. For more information, please go to <http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/nps/fall2005.html>



Nov 9-10 Tribal Sustainable Energy Solutions Conference, Denver, CO

The Council of Energy Resource Tribes (CERT) invites you to join tribal leaders, federal government representatives and industry leaders in discussions and workshops exploring renewable energy in Indian country. For more information, call Lizana Pierce, (303) 275-4717 or to go <http://www.eere.energy.gov/tribalenergy>



Nov 15-17 “Native Renewables” Energy Summit, Denver, CO

Sponsored by the Department of Energy (DOE), the core of this conference is to focus on how tribes and cities can help each other. State, local and tribal governments can support “Native Renewables” both in capital markets and local “healthy” community development. With Green Tags and Renewable Energy Credits, “Native Renewables” projects can generate immediate financial rewards to revitalize Native economies. For more information on the DOE's Tribal program to go:

http://www.eere.energy.gov/tribalenergy/tep_background.html

Dec. 2 Storm water and Surface-water Quality, Nashville, TN

This accredited workshop is packed with critical information for storm water- and surface-water-quality professionals. It is presented by leaders in the field and is designed for professional storm water managers as well as municipal and government leaders, federal agency representatives, engineers, contractors, consultants, and distributors. For more information, please go to

<http://www.stormcon.com/nashville>

Jan 24-25 Tribal Relations Symposium for Executive Leaders, Fort McDowell, AZ

This symposium will provide techniques needed to work collaboratively with Tribal and federal government leaders; to strengthen and expand government-to-government collaboration and partnerships and to build workforce capacity within the agencies to enable employees in tribal relations. For more information, contact Kathy Pedrick, Symposium Coordinator, (623) 580-5568 or email at

Kathy_Pedrick@blm.gov

Mar 26-29 21st International Conference on Solid Waste, Philadelphia, PA

Researchers, educators, government officials, students, consultants, managers, community leaders, and others with expertise in solid waste are invited to submit papers for oral presentation at this conference. For more information, please write or call Dr. Ronald L. Mersky, Conference Chair, Department of Civil Engineering, Widener University, 1 University Place, Chester, PA 19013-5792 U.S.A (610) 499 4042 4461,

solid.waste@widener.edu. The deadline for submission of abstracts is October 30, 2005.

May 7-11 5th National Monitoring Conference: Connecting for Clean Water, San Jose, CA

The conference is hosted by the National Water Quality Monitoring Council and will highlight how various networks – including monitoring designs, information exchanges, and the Internet – connect all of us working for clean water. EPA and USGS are members of this council. This conference will provide an expanded national forum for volunteer monitoring program coordinators to exchange information, develop skills, and build better networks. If you would like to submit an abstract, have questions about the conference, or would like to be placed on a mailing list, contact the 2006 Monitoring Conference Coordinator at NWQMC2006@tetratex-ffx.com or call (410) 356-8993 or visit their Web site at www.nwqmc.org.

Also, the Council is soliciting nominations for the 2006 Elizabeth Jester Fellows Award to be presented at the conference. Established in tribute to and in memory of Elizabeth Fellows (1944-2000), the award recognizes an individual for their outstanding achievement, exemplary service, and distinguished leadership in the field of water quality monitoring. Visit <http://www.tetratex-ffx.com/nwqmc06/award.cfm> to learn more about Elizabeth, the award's criteria, and past recipients.

Training

The Nielson Environmental Field School

- Oct 3-4 Ground-Water Monitoring Well Design, Construction & Development, Hartford, CT
- Nov 3-4 Ground-Water Monitoring Well Design, Dallas, TX
- Nov 7-8 Ground-Water Monitoring Well Design, San Antonio, TX
- Nov 10-11 Ground Water Sampling Field Course, Houston, TX

These four courses are specifically designed to meet the environmental training needs of environmental consultants, contractors & laboratory staff, government agency environmental staff, federal, state, regional, county, city, tribal, industry environmental staff: petrochemical, utility, landfill, manufacturing, mining and others. For more information, contact us at info@envirofieldschool.com or visit Web site at www.envirofieldschool.com

Penn State University

- Oct 31-Nov 1 Wastewater Biology, Santa Rosa, CA
- Nov 3-4 Wastewater Biology, Santa Rosa, CA

Penn State Wastewater Biology courses stress a biological approach to wastewater operations and are designed for operators, technicians, and engineers involved in the daily operation and troubleshooting of wastewater treatment processes. For more information, visit <http://www.outreach.psu.edu/C&I/WastewaterBiology/>

Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals at North Arizona University (ITEP/NAU)

Oct 11-14 Education Outreach for AQ Professionals, Flagstaff, AZ

Oct 12-14 Dataloggers, Las Vegas, NV

Oct 18-20 Reviewing State Title V Permits, Green Bay, WI



Oct. 31-Nov.4 Air Quality Computations, Flagstaff, AZ

Nov 14-18 Air Pollution Technology, Las Vegas, NV



Dec 6-8 Air Quality System, Kansas City, KS

As with most ITEP courses, ITEP will pay for participants travel and lodging as well as reimburse them for their per diem expenses. For more information, please contact Todd Barnell, (928) 523-3840 (phone); (928)-523-1266 (fax) or www.nau.edu/itep



Rural Community Assistance Corporation (RCAC) and the State of California, Department of Health Services, Drinking Water Program.

The RCAC is offering the following free workshops throughout California for small drinking water systems:

Oct 4 Emergency Response Planning, Gustine, CA

Oct 5 Water Distribution System Operation & Maintenance, Monterey, CA

Oct 25 Water Distribution System Operation & Maintenance, Mt Shasta, Ca

Oct. 26 Board Member & Owner Responsibilities, Redding, CA

Nov. 2 Board Member & Owner Responsibilities, Atascadero, CA

Nov. 8 Budgets & Rate Setting, Santa Barbara, CA

Nov. 8 Board Member & Owner Responsibilities, Riverside, CA

Nov. 9 Emergency Response Planning, Riverside, CA

Nov. 15 Capital Improvements Plans & Asset Management, Chula Vista, CA

Nov. 16 Surface Water Treatment Compliance, El Centro, CA

Nov. 29 Monitoring & Water Quality, Chula Vista, CA

For information on registration, contact Mark Wiseman, RCAC, (916) 447-9832, ext. 279
For more information on workshop content, contact Brian Phillips, RCAC, (707) 489-6994. Also,
for the latest information go to <http://www.rcac.org>

Research Training Institute

For a schedule of their training, please call (706) 951-5685 or visit <http://www.RTII.org>

Bill Helmich Associates Training Seminars

A brochure for training seminars for October 2005 is available from Bill Helmich Associates,
P.O. Box 789, Sandia Park, NM 87047, (505) 281-9884 or visit:
<http://www.billhelmichassociates.com>

National Enforcement Training Institute (NETI)

Nov 1-3 Introduction to NEPA/309 Review course, Washington, DC

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) courses provide information and skills necessary to prepare and review environmental assessments and environmental impact statements as mandated by NEPA and EPA's review and comment mandate under Section 309 of the Clean Air Act. The courses are open to newcomers to the NEPA program, associate NEPA reviewers, environmental reviewers from other federal agencies and as a refresher course for more experienced staff. If you have any questions, the course point of contact is Arthur Totten (202) 564-7164; fax: (202) 564-0072; email: totten.arthur@epa.gov

NETI, in cooperation with EPA's Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response, is pleased to present a new Web-based class, "Introduction to the Underground Storage Tank (UST) Program and Basic UST Inspector Training Courses" (UST 901). These courses are designed to meet the training requirements for inspectors under EPA Order 3500.1. They orient new employees, provide refresher training, and supplement annual training for the UST program. Topics include preparation for field inspections, on-site equipment inspections, compliance records review, purpose and goals of the UST program, history of the UST program, financial responsibility requirements, and the federal UST regulations.

Also, the most up-to-date list of enforcement/compliance monitoring courses offered by EPA's Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance is available online. For more information on how to register, go to <http://www.netionline.com> and click on the Catalog and Schedule button. Start class in your own office!

Inter Tribal Council of Arizona (ITCA)



Oct. 3-6 Wastewater Treatment – Level Two Training Announcement, Flagstaff, AZ



Oct. 18-22 Quality Assurance/Quality Control & Standard Operation Procedures, Flagstaff, AZ



Nov 9 Tribal Water and Wastewater Operator Workgroup Meeting, Phoenix. AZ

To obtain more information on the above courses, call Deborah Patton at (602) 258-4822

Grants and loans

Financial Opportunities from the Western Regional Office, Department of Energy, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE)

EERE financial opportunities for tribes are managed by the [Golden Field Office](#) and detailed on the [Tribal Energy Program](#) Web site. This program provides financial and technical assistance to tribes for feasibility studies and shares the cost of implementing sustainable renewable energy installations on tribal lands. Relevant financial solicitations can be found on the [funding opportunities](#) page. All of these Web sites can be found by going to: <http://www.eere.energy.gov/financing/>



Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) requests applications for the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Project Grant Program (PDM). PDM provides funding for implementation of cost effective projects, such as buyouts of flood-prone buildings, construction of safe rooms, elevations of homes located in the floodplain or making structures more earthquake resistant, prior to disaster events. \$150 million is expected to be available and 225 awards are anticipated. Only state or territorial emergency management agencies are eligible to apply as primary applicants, however, sub applicants are eligible to apply through these agencies. Responses from state/territorial management agencies are due 1/17/05. For more information, go to: <http://www.fema.gov/fima/pdm>.



U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Community Development Initiative (RCDI)

RCDI has grants to qualified intermediary organizations to provide financial and technical assistance to recipients to develop their capacity and ability to undertake projects related to housing, community facilities, or community and economic development. \$6 million is expected to be available and 12 awards are anticipated. Responses are due 11/3/05. For more information, contact William.Kenney@usda.gov or go to: <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/rd/nofas/index.html>.



Environmental Information Exchange

EPA requests applications for the Environmental Information Exchange Network Grant Program. The Exchange Network is an internet and standards-based, secure information network that facilitates the electronic reporting, sharing, integration, analysis, and use of environmental data from many different sources. \$20 million is expected to be available and up to 50 awards are anticipated. Responses are due 11/21/05. For more information contact Rebecca Moser, EPA, at (202) 566-1679 or go to: <http://www.fedgrants.gov/Applicants/EPA/OGD/GAD/EPA-OEI-06-01/Grant.html>.



Undergraduate Environmental Fellowships

EPA requests applications for the Greater Research Opportunities (GRO) Program, which provides undergraduate fellowships for bachelor level students in environmentally related fields of study. The fellowship provides up to \$17K per year of academic support and up to \$7.5K of internship support for a 3 month summer period. \$622.5K is expected to be available and 15 awards are anticipated. Responses are due 11/3/05. For more information, contact Georgette Boddie at boddie.georgette@epa.gov or go to: http://es.epa.gov/ncer/rfa/2006/2006_gro_undergrad_fellow.html.

Drinking Water Tribal Set-Aside

EPA is soliciting proposals from tribes in Region 9 (California, Arizona, and Nevada) under the Drinking Water Tribal Set-Aside Program. This program provides the opportunity for Region 9 tribes to obtain EPA grants for improvements to public water systems (PWS). The funding will be used to address the most significant public health threats posed by inadequate public drinking water system infrastructure. The new arsenic standard of 10 ppb takes effect in January of 2006 so all systems with arsenic levels at 10 ppb or higher should be in the process of achieving this standard. When submitting proposals, applicants can request assistance for a feasibility study or, if a study has already been completed, for construction funding. Project proposal forms (and feasibility studies if applicable) must be postmarked by October 24, 2005. The solicitation is available on the EPA Region 9 Grants Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/region09/funding/rfps.html>. For more information, please contact your EPA PWS Program Manager or call Sara Jacobs at (415) 972-3564.

EPA Region 9 Water Infrastructure Loans available to Tribes

The Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) loans are innovative methods of financing a range of water quality and safe drinking water projects. Under the CWSRF & DWSRF programs, EPA Region 9 provides grants or “seed money” to the states of Arizona, California, Hawaii and Nevada to capitalize individual state CWSRF and DWSRF loan funds. The states, in turn, make loans to communities, individuals, and others for high-priority water quality and drinking water activities. Tribes are also eligible to receive CWSRF and DWSRF loans from the states. The programs are managed by the states, and loans or other types of assistance for water quality and drinking water projects are distributed according to each state’s program and priorities. Eligible projects under the DWSRF include installation and replacement of failing treatment facilities, eligible storage facilities and transmission and distribution systems. Projects to consolidate water supplies may also be eligible. CWSRF loans are used to build or improve wastewater treatment plants, to develop or implement estuary improvement projects, and to implement nonpoint source pollution control activities. For more state specific information about the CWSRF and DWSRF programs, visit the U.S. EPA, Region 9 Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/region09/water>

Indian Country Leaking Underground Storage Tank (LUST) Multi-Year Cleanup Initiative

EPA Region 9 recently announced the Indian Country LUST multi-year cleanup initiative. Using LUST trust funds, EPA will pay for site assessments and cleanups on LUST sites on tribal lands. EPA has contracted a Native Alaskan-owned firm, Bristol Environmental, to assist with the work. EPA has identified more than 200 LUST sites on the lands of 17 different tribes. Further sites may be identified as the work progresses. For more information, please contact Carl Warren, UST Program Office, at (415) 972-3355 or mwarren.carl@epa.gov

Smart Growth Implementation Assistance

The Development, Community and Environment Division in U.S. EPA’s Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation is seeking applications from communities that want to develop ways to meet environmental community goals. A team of multidisciplinary experts will provide technical assistance to communities that are selected. For more information and application materials, please go to: http://www.epa.gov/smartgrowth/sg_implementation.htm or call Mary Kay (Santore) Bailey, (202) 566-2859.

Indian Health Service (IHS) Web-based Sanitation Deficiency System (SDS)

IHS selects tribal drinking water, wastewater, and solid waste construction projects for funding every year from their SDS list. This list is accessible on the Internet at <https://wstars.ihs.gov> through a Public Login. To review a list of tribal projects on the SDS list, including their relative ranking, select an IHS Area and run a report of the SDS one-line listing. If you know of a tribal infrastructure need that should be included on the SDS list, but is not, contact your local IHS Office of Environmental Health to learn how the list is updated for your tribe.

Housing and Community Development in California

Grants are available to cities and counties to fund housing and community development activities. Applicants that do not receive Community Development Block Grant Program funds directly from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) are eligible. Eligible activities include new construction and rehabilitation of housing, community facilities, infrastructures, and public services. A set-aside allocation of funds is awarded to projects serving Native Americans who do not belong to a federally recognized Indian tribe or Rancheria. Another set-aside of funds is awarded to non-entitlement communities (colonias) located within 150 miles of the California/Mexico border. For more information, call Allen Jones, (916) 263-0466 or email ajones@hcd.ca.gov or visit <http://www.housing.hcd.ca.gov/ca/cdbg/>

California Bay-Delta Authority science grants

This program seeks to invest in projects that develop new knowledge about how water use and management activities interact with and affect key aquatic species and environmental processes across spatial and temporal scales. The geographic areas of interest are the San Francisco Bay Estuary and the Bay-Delta System. To access detailed information about this opportunity, please visit: <http://www.solicitation.calwater.ca.gov> or call the Cal Water Helpline at (877) 408-9310.

CALFED Program Proposal Solicitations



Cal/EPA has established the Environmental Justice (EJ) Small Grants Program to assist eligible community-based, grassroots, non-profit entities, and federally recognized tribal governments to address EJ issues as authorized by California Code of Regulations Title 27, Division 1, Chapter 3, Article 1. The EJ Small Grants are awarded on a competitive basis. Two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250 thousand) in grant funds is available for this grant cycle. Grant projects may be funded with maximum grant amounts not to exceed \$20,000 per project. The grant term is from November 1, 2005 through November 30, 2006. For more information, visit the website at: <http://www.calepa.ca.gov/EnvJustice/Funding/SmallGrants/default.htm>

To automatically receive more information about other CALFED Program Proposal Solicitations go to <http://www.calwater.ca.gov/ListServe/listsab-1.asp?Choice=1>. Contact Dan Ray of the California Bay-Delta Authority, Ecosystem Restoration Program at (916) 445-5243 if you need more information.

California Endowment Program

California Endowment Program awards grants to organizations and institutions that directly benefit the health and well-being of Californians, and those that work to provide and expand access to affordable, quality health care for California's under served individuals and communities. The endowment offers the following two open application grant programs designed to fund ideas and approaches to health improvements generated at the community level:

- (1) CommunitiesFirst accepts applications year-round and is rooted in the understanding that communities are central to health improvements; and that inclusion, partnership and community ownership are critical to addressing issues successfully.
- (2) The Local Opportunities Fund provides grants of up to \$50,000 to organizations that are addressing important health issues on a local level. Applications are reviewed following deadlines in January, May and September.

For more information concerning the above grant opportunities, please go to <http://www.calendow.org/opportunities/index.stm> or call (800) 449-4149.



Funding Sources for Communities

A grants list of the updated version to the Funding Sources for Communities matrix can be viewed by going to the following Web address: <http://www.epa.gov/region09/funding/index.html>
For more information, please call Jessica Counts (415) 972-3288.



Miscellaneous items



National Drinking Water Advisory Council

EPA invites nominations of qualified individuals to serve a three-year term as members of the National Drinking Water Advisory Council. This 15-member Council was established by the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) to provide practical and independent advice, consultation, and recommendations to the Agency on the activities, functions, and policies and regulations required by the Safe Drinking Water Act. The terms of five members expire in December 2005. EPA would like the preponderance of nominations to be in areas consistent with the mandates of the SDWA and the Agency encourages nominations of individuals who can represent small, rural public water systems. Submit nominations via U.S. mail on or before October 21, 2005. Address all nominations to Clare Donaher, Designated Federal Officer, National Drinking Water Advisory Council, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water (Mail Code 4601-M), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460. You may email questions to donaher.clare@epa.gov or call 202-564-3787.

Clean Water State Revolving Fund Loan (SRF) Program.

The State Water Resources Control Board is inviting public comment on proposed amendments to the SRF Loan Policy. The SRF Loan Program provides low-interest loans for the construction of publicly owned wastewater treatment and water recycling facilities, correction of non-point source and storm water drainage pollution problems. The proposed amendments are intended to integrate the concept of sustainability into the SRF Policy consistent with State Water Board Resolution No. 2005-0006. The State Water Board will immediately begin accepting new

applications and resume processing those applications that were previously under review. For more information, please go to: <http://www.epa.gov/region09/water>

Air Quality Permits

EPA Region 9 encourages tribes that want to build small power plants to consult with EPA early in the planning process to determine whether an air quality permit is required. The need for a permit depends on the size of the plant, the potential emissions of the plant (without consideration of air pollution controls) and where the plant will be located. The likelihood that a permit will be required is higher in areas where the air quality is not meeting federal air quality standards, i.e. non-attainment areas. Tribes that want to construct power plants in the following California counties (Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino) should be especially aware of the possibility that a permit will be required prior to construction or operation of the plant, since the permitting thresholds based on potential emissions are lower than in other areas. If a permit is required, it takes EPA between 6 to 12 months to issue a final permit after a complete application has been submitted. Since construction of a new plant cannot start until after the permit has been issued, it is important to start this process as soon as possible after it is known that a permit is required. If you have questions or need to get an applicability determination from EPA Region 9, contact Roger Kohn, kohn.roger@epa.gov or (415) 972-3973 or Gerardo Rios rios.gerardo@epa.gov or (415) 972-3974.

Composting Programs

EPA's latest Tribal Waste Journal focusing on tribal composting programs is now in print and available on EPA's Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/epaoswer/non-hw/tribal/pdf/twj-4.pdf>. The journal highlights tribes that are making great strides in solid waste management through composting. Read about how these tribes started their composting programs to divert waste, save on waste disposal costs, and nourish land and tradition.

Criminal Investigation Division (CID)

Region 9's Criminal Investigation Division (CID) provides training to tribal governments on investigations of environmental crimes. CID can provide a short presentation on who they are and what they do, or they can provide more detailed classroom training for police officers and regulators on what to look for in environmental investigations. CID can also recommend tribal officers to a two-week training for environmental investigators at the Law Enforcement Academy in Georgia. Tribes wishing to request this training should contact Pam Overman, Tribal Program Office, at (415) 972-3781 or overman.pamela@epa.gov.

Corporation for National and Community Services

The AmeriCorp has volunteers that are available to work with tribes. For more information, please visit the following Web site:
<http://www.nationalservice.org/partners/become/ Americorps.html>

Lead Hazards

The Passamaquoddy Pleasant Point Tribe of Maine has a tribal-based environmental protection Web site <http://www.tbep.net> on products that were developed to educate children and their parents on lead hazards. Please feel free to browse and download any of these products. Also look at the Lead Tracker Teachers Manual at <http://www.tbep.net/LEADTRACKER/index.htm>.

The Penobscot Indian Nation has developed a curriculum in conjunction with the University of Connecticut Continuing Education program for 3- 4th graders which encourages students to look out for lead hazards as well as steps to take to minimize exposure to lead. This product is available in English and Spanish. Please feel free to download the manual in PDF formats <http://www.tbep.net/MotherBear/index.htm>. For more information, please call (617)-918-1524 or fax (617)-918-0524.

Community Health Air Pollution Information System (CHAPIS)

The California Air Resources Board (CARB) has developed an internet-based mapping tool that allows a look at a map to view sources of air pollution. This system makes information regarding air pollution emissions available in ways that are visual and easy to understand. The air pollutant emission information contained in CHAPIS is for general information. Please consult your local air district for the most recent data available for specific facilities. The CARB should be contacted regarding mobile source emissions. For more information, visit: <http://www.arb.ca.gov/ch/chapis1/chapis1.htm>

Job openings

The Mohegan Tribe of Connecticut is looking for a new administrator (director) for their environmental department. Salary is approximately \$75k-\$100k, depending on experience. Applicants should submit their resumes to Dale White, General Counsel, via fax at (860) 862-6122 or via email at dwhite@moheganmail.com.

The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community (SRPMIC) has an opening for an environmental specialist in water quality. Please submit your resume to Ondrea S. Barber, SRPMIC – Human Resources Dept., 10,005 E. Osborn Road, Scottsdale, AZ 85256 or email ondrea.barber@SRPMIC-nsn.gov. This position will remain open until filled.

Web sites for tribal programs and other federal programs

Please visit the tribal resource Web page at:

<http://www.epa.gov/region09/indian/res.html>

<http://www.epa.gov/region09/waste/brown/grants.html>

<http://www.epa.gov/region09/waste/solid/indianwaste.html>